

Of Interest to Every Woman

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The Great Trials of History

TRIAL OF THOMAS DORR.

It was the charter rights, granted by a King, which regulated the political institutions in Rhode Island for nearly 200 years, that brought on the rebellion in Rhode Island in 1839, in which Thomas W. Dorris figured as leader. In 1841 the Rhode Island Legislature was petitioned for an extension of the rights of suffrage. A convention was called in October of that year, and the instrument called the People's Constitution was the result of their deliberation.

When this Constitution was submitted to the people for ratification, it received 1,000 votes, the returns being counted and the result declared in January, 1842, and the Legislature's Constitution having been created, there was now presented the single issue of the old charter of 1663, on the one hand, and the suffrage Constitution, just adopted, as claimed, by the popular vote, on the other. Great enthusiasm was manifested by the triumph which the suffrage constitutionists and their cause had achieved, and meetings and processions, with music, banners, bonfires, etc., everywhere proclaimed the event.

Chief among the leaders in this remarkable revolution, as it was termed, was Thomas Wilson Dorris, of Providence, a graduate of Harvard College. Governor King issued his proclamation, promising the movement of the suffrage party, treasonable, and warning all of the consequences which a continuance in such acts would bring upon them.

Undismayed, however, by these threats, the suffrage party, presuming on its strength and popularity, went into an election of State officers April 13, 1842, resulting in the election of Mr. Dorris to the governorship.

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Be Beautiful

"BALANCE" IS THE KEYNOTE OF GRACE.

BY ABIGAIL MOORE.

Many a good figure is spoiled by incorrect carriage. Perfect proportions may answer for a statue, but the human form should express grace in motion as well as in line. It must, at all times and in every place, conform to the laws of equilibrium. These laws are too little understood. If they were obeyed accidents would be rare. Equilibrium is the perfect balance of symmetrical arrangement around the centre of gravity. Consider it carefully. It is to preserve this balance that you instinctively thrust out a hand, either backward or forward. When you trip or stumble, as a foot goes from under you, the hand flies in that direction where its weight will tend to counterbalance the sudden shifting of the centre of gravity.

Balance is attained through the law of opposing weights or forces, and to preserve it best in the human body the chest is thrown up, the head is slightly back. If you rest on the right foot the left hip is thrust out a little to the right, and the head tips a little to the left to balance. Here are some exercises which will help you to acquire the habit of perfect equilibrium. 1. Chest up, weight on both feet, point left toe directly at the shoe, keeping weight on right foot. 2. Pushing yourself up, rise on the toes and transfer the weight to the left foot. 3. Similarly, place right foot to the right, and transfer the weight as before.

Repeat, placing the feet first forward and then back. Practice this for several days, then add the following exercises:

1. Stand easily and swing the toe of one foot around in front of the body till it is in line with the toe of the other foot. Then repeat with other foot. 2. Repeat the exercise, swinging the toe around the back to the opposite side till it is in line with toe of the first foot.

OSTRICH TRIMS A CASINO TOILETTE

Paris, February 8.—A novel scheme which may commend itself for Casino gown or dinner toilette, is the arrangement of a cross-over costume and penicillated tunic of brocade over a plain satin skirt. The brocade draperies being edged with a ruffling of soft little ostrich feathers, either dyed to match the dress or else providing the always telling touch of black, or its now very fashionable alternative, tete de negre.

Or perhaps you may prefer the even more uncommon color scheme of black and daffodil yellow.

A Spring Tint. This delicately pink-like tint is introduced in the satin of the kimono, corse, and the sash, which is swathed at the waist and then knotted low at the back, where it hangs first over the double and deeply pointed tunic frills of black lace, and then over the simple softly draped skirt of black tulle. A fold of the covetably black lace is also laid inside the V-shaped neck opening, and it is used again on the sleeves as a turned-back cuff at the elbow.

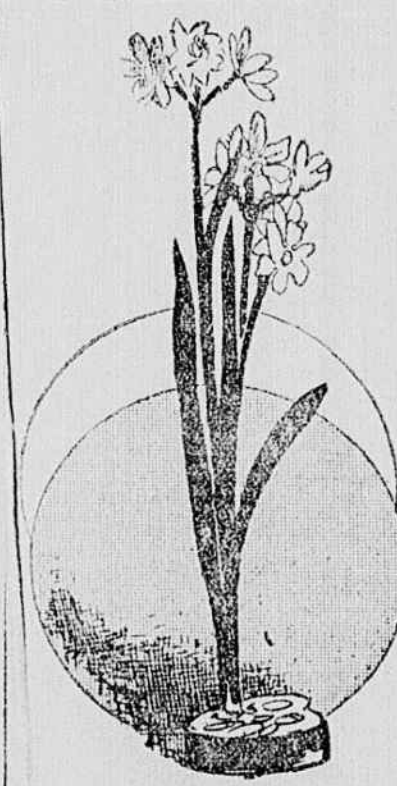
And, by the way, mention of millinery reminds me to tell you that, for Casino wear, the novelty and success of black gulls, swathed closely, turban fashion, about the head, where their soft folds are held together both at the back and in the front by a great jet enchevron ornament.

MENU

Breakfast. Fries in Syrup. Hominy. Soft Boiled Eggs. Coffee. Buttered Toast. Coffee. Lunch. Ham and Rice Patties. Lettuce and Tomato Salad. Tea. Dinner. Cream Potato Soup. French Fried Potatoes. Beefsteak. French Apple Sauce. Beans. Watercress. Sponge Cake. Shredded Pineapple. Coffee. Ham and Rice Patties.

Mix some potted ham with a small piece of butter and sufficient milk to make a soft paste, season with pepper and nutmeg, add a small quantity of boiled rice, a little chopped parsley and the beaten yolk of an egg. Warm some little patty cases, and fill with the mixture, put them in a quick oven, and when thoroughly hot serve in a folded doily. Garnish with parsley.

A NEW ARRANGEMENT.



The bronze holder makes it possible to arrange a single stalk in truly Japanese manner.

WANTS KNIGHTHOOD FOR ENGLISH WOMEN

Agitation for Its Establishment Is Started by Lady Townshend.

BY LA MARQUISE DE FOUNTENAY.

LADY TOWNSHEND, the tall wife of the eccentric Little Marquis of Townshend, and whose portrait, showing her crowned with the laurels of a poetess, is familiar to English-speaking people on both sides of the Atlantic, has started an agitation in the English press, in favor of the creation by King George of a feminine order of knighthood, to bear the name of "The Order of Queen Mary." As a means of rewarding the services of the fair sex to the state, to literature, art, science, and philanthropy. While many women have written to the press to endorse the idea, others have raised their voices in opposition to the scheme, notably, several of the peeresses, who like the ground that the nominations to the order would always be made by a Cabinet minister, that is to say, by a man. It would invariably be given only to young and pretty women.

The fact of the matter is that any such feminine order would be superfluous, since there are already several at the disposal of the British sovereign for the purpose. Thus, there are the Royal Order of Victoria and Albert, created by Queen Victoria in 1852; the Imperial Order of the Crown, instituted by the same sovereign in 1858; and the Royal Red Cross, which also owes its origin to Queen Victoria, and which dates from 1883. All three orders are for women only, while the Kaiser-i-Hind medal for public service in India, in two classes, is bestowed upon women as well as upon men. These orders carry with them no title or precedence, though they are in every sense of the word official, and required to be worn at court and on all state occasions.

The Order of Victoria and Albert consists of a rich lion portrait of the late Queen, and of her consort surmounted by a royal crown, and attached to the left shoulder of the dress by a bow of thick white silk. The first two classes are restricted exclusively to royal personages, and have the portrait encircled with diamonds. The third class is conferred only upon persons of noble rank, and is encircled with pearls, while in the case of the fourth grade, which is used chiefly for rewarding ladies of the royal household, the medallion is replaced by a monogram in great diamonds, surmounted by a crown.

The Imperial Order of the Crown of India is conferred only upon women of royal rank, upon the wives or daughters of native princes of the British empire, and upon the wives and daughters of British dignitaries who have been connected with the administration of that great domain. There have been two women of American birth who have been decorated therewith, namely, Lady Randolph Churchill, daughter of Leonard de Onofre, of New York, in consequence of her first husband, the late Lord Randolph Churchill, having served as Secretary of State for India, and the late Lady Curzon, who was Mrs. Mary Layard, of Washington and Chicago, and whose husband put in almost seven years as Viceroy of India.

The Order of the Crown of India is merely in one class, and consists of Queen Victoria's royal and imperial either in diamonds, pearls and turquoises, encircled by a border, set with pearls, surmounted with the imperial crown, and attached to a light blue watered-ribbon, edged with white, which is pinned in the form of a bow to the left shoulder of the dress. The members of the Order of the Royal Red Cross are far more numerous than those of either of the two preceding orders. It is a distinction conferred upon women in recognition of services which they may have rendered in relieving the sick or in caring for wounded soldiers and sailors in wartime. It consists of a cross of enameled crimson, edged with gold, having on the front the words "Faith, Hope and Charity," as well as the number of the year of the creation of the order. The centre of the cross is a medallion of Queen Victoria, and it is worn pinned to the left shoulder by a bow of dark blue ribbon, edged with red.

Among its members have been Florence Nightingale, the wife of Field Marshal Lord Roberts, Lady Sarah Wilson, the Dowager Countess of Dudley, numerous Sisters of Mercy, army nurses who distinguished themselves in connection with the ambulance service during the South African War; Lady Macdonald, wife of the former English ambassador to Japan, for the role which she played at Peking during the siege of the legations there.

fourteen years ago, the widow of United States Senator Hawley, and Lady Randolph Churchill, for her work in fitting out, equipping and running the Anglo-American hospital ship that did such good work during the South African campaign.

The late Lady Curzon was the only American woman who received the Kaiser-i-Hind medal.

There is still another decoration in the gift of the King, and for which women are eligible, namely, the Cross of the English Order of St. John of Jerusalem, which is a Maltese cross of white enamel set in silver, and worn with a ribbon of black silk.

From this it will be seen that there are plenty of orders already in existence for women in England and that if such women as the notoriety-seeking Marchioness of Townshend are demanding the creation of yet another distinction of this nature, it is because they have not been found eligible for those already in existence.

Almost every other monarchical country has its order of knighthood for women, one of the exceptions being Italy, while Belgium is another. In Russia there is the Order of St. Catherine, and also that of the Red Cross; in Austria there is the Order of Elizabeth, and of the Star Cross; in Prussia the Order of Louise; in Bavaria, those of Theresa and of St. Elizabeth; in Japan, the Order of the Crown; in Turkey, that of the Chevakat, while in republican France the order over a hundred women who have received the Legion of Honor, and near a thousand the gold and silver palm leaves of the Order of Instruction Publicque.

Minto Castle, to which young Lord Minto has just succeeded, on the death of his father within its walls is situated in the mountainous portion of the County of Roxburgh, about six miles distant from the quaint old town of Hawick. Nature has endowed the district with much beauty in hill and dale, and history has invested it with the romantic charm of a castle, the needs of arms in border wars. Sir Walter Scott was a frequent visitor at Minto Castle, and in his "Lays of the Last Minstrel" and other works, refers to it, as well as to other features of the estate, notably, the well-known crags overlooking the Cheviots, capped by a tower, mounted with a gun taken by the Duke of Argyll, the French Admiral Thurot, in the naval battle off the Isle of Man, in 1760.

The castle is of that dark gray stone of which so many of these ancestral homes of the Scottish aristocracy are constructed, and, while the outer portion is of great antiquity, the modern part, including the great porch and the immense circular hall, dates from about 150 years ago.

It is full of trophies and relics of various kinds, among them being a miniature of Queen Marie Antoinette, given to the Earl of Minto by Mirabeau, who had received it from that ill-fated Queen; a beautifully sculptured marble dog, found among the ruins of a 15th-century villa near Naples, and given to the Lord Minto by her stay by Queen Caroline of Naples, sister of Marie Antoinette; also the sword surrendered by the commander of the Spanish fleet, Don Jose, in the great naval battle off St. Vincent, to Nelson, and presented by the latter to his intimate friend, Sir Gilbert Elliot, who was with him on board his flagship Minerva at the time as a prisoner.

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THE SERVANT QUESTION SOLVED

So Far as This Lady is Concerned —She Doesn't Seem to Need One.

Pollock, La.—Mrs. T. S. Blatr, of this town, has the following to say, which should be of interest to women generally: "For months my health was very bad, and the medicines I took did not seem to do me any good."

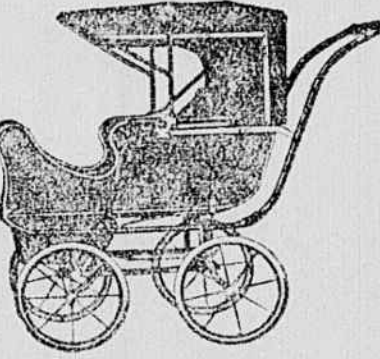
I was very weak and nervous, and some days I could not be up. I asked my husband to get me a bottle of Cardui, the woman's tonic, to try, and before I had taken one bottle I was up and doing my work. Before I commenced taking Cardui I had such spells I was not able to do anything. Now I have only taken three bottles of Cardui in all and I feel fine.

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